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RAJYA SABHA

Agreements between India and other countries

†3698. SHRI BRATIN SENGUPTA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the agreements entered into by Government of India with other countries from January, 2000 to December, 2000;

(b) the economic and other benefits likely to accrue to India as a result thereof; and

(c) the steps taken to implement these agreements?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI KRISHNAMRAJU) : (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House.

Indian Delegation to France

3699. SHRI P. K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a five member Indian delegation has visited France recently;

(b) if so, whether France has given any assurance to the Indian delegation to unequivocal support for India's permanent membership in the UN Security Council; and

(c) if so, the details of the other issues discussed and the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI KRISHNAMRAJU) : (a) Yes Sir. Principal Secretary to the Prime Minister and National Security Adviser visited France for the Sixth Round of the Indo-French Strategic Dialogue from 31 January to 1 February 2001.

(b) and (c) The French President, in his meeting with the Principal

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